

"THRIFT" CAMPAIGN WILL BEGIN JAN. 1

**Movement to Be Inaugurated
With Parade of Five Sand-
wich Men on New Year.**

Next Saturday, the birthday of 1916 and the day on which every Washingtonian will or should be pondering over New Year resolutions, five sandwich men will parade through the business sections and popular promenades of the National Capital bearing striking slogans which will admonish men, women, and children to head their list of self-resolutions with a pledge of greater savings.

The sandwich parade will be the inaugural step in the year's campaign for the promotion of "thrift," which is to be conducted by the Washington Chapter of the American Institute of Banking.

Movement Nation-Wide.

This thrift movement is not local, but nation-wide. It will mark the centennial of the foundation of the savings bank in the United States, and is being conducted under the auspices of the savings bank section of the American Bankers' Association.

The work of educating the public to the advantages that spring from systematic savings, however, will be entrusted to the chapters of the American Institute of Banking, which is the branch of the association composed of clerks and junior officers of banks.

In Washington, Harry V. Haynes, president of the local chapter, has appointed a committee of twenty-one members, headed by Frank B. Devereux, which has been organizing its campaign for thrift. With the wholesale destruction of capital in Europe which has been in progress for nearly a year and a half, bankers assert that the United States will not only be unable to finance further its established industries and promote new ones on borrowed money, but will have to prepare to take the place of a creditor nation. To meet these demands, they say, the American public must become more frugal; must learn to save systematically, and acquire the habit of investing.

Plan Year's Campaign.

To impress these facts on the Washington public, the members of the Washington chapter of the American Institute of Banking have planned a twelve-month campaign.

The sandwich men will be a novel method of advertising the movement. In the typical costume of a "sandwich" man, they will typify results of frugality, while the slogans that will adorn their boards will emphasize the advantages of thrift. New Year Day, it is thought, will afford an excellent opportunity to launch the campaign, as the streets will be crowded with pleasure seekers bound on a round of calls or attendance at the theaters.

Special efforts will be made to organize savings clubs among the school children, to reach the workmen, and to interest women and girls engaged in industrial lines. Heads of schools will be requested to permit the speakers to address the children, proprietors and managers of department stores and factories will be asked to allow the organizers to hold noonday meetings in their shops, and similar opportunities will be asked at the hands of civic bodies and citizens' associations.

Slogan Not Decided.

Just what the slogan of the local campaign shall be has not yet been decided, but the official song has been selected and meetings and street parades will echo with its tune. It is not new, but, as President Haynes says, "hits the nail on the head." It is "Every Little Bit Added to What You've Got Makes Just a Little Bit More."

Equally strenuous campaigns will be carried on in other cities, each with a population of over 25,000, through the institute chapters located in those cities.

The institute will also have the cooperation throughout the country of the Young Men's Christian Association, which will campaign in 600 or 700 cities; the National Americanization Committee, which will work especially among immigrants; the National Civic Federation, which will devote its energies to inculcation of the idea among the industrial workers of the United States; and the postal savings banks.

The thrift movement will be in celebration of the 100th birthday of savings banks in the United States. The first bank was established in 1816, when the population was 5,500,000. Today there are 2,500 savings banks, and they have in their care more than \$1,700,000,000 belonging to 10,000,000 depositors.

Promoting the thrift campaign is only one of the activities of the local chapter of the institute. Like other branches its purpose is to educate the public in social, financial, and business matters. During the early history of the latter purpose was pursued more generally than the former. Today, however, the education is completely reversed.

Conducting Three Courses.

Washington chapter is now conducting three courses: Two nights a week there are lectures on commercial law and negotiable instruments, delivered by leading members of the local bar. The commercial course is continued to that branch of the law in so far as it applies to the banking business, but the course in negotiable instruments is even more comprehensive than the average law-school course.

For the younger clerks there is a course in bank practices, while for the graduates of the institute there is a course relating to settlements as now conducted with banks. Last year, when bankers throughout the country were deeply interested in and frequently consulted the provisions of the Federal Reserve act, the chapter arranged a series of lectures on the law by Dr. H. Parker Willis, secretary to the Federal Reserve Board.

The chapter was organized fifteen years ago, and today has a membership of 25. The officers are Harry V. Haynes, president; H. W. Ireland, vice president; Charles T. Beaumont, treasurer; P. A. Brunker, secretary; A. C. Savage, assistant secretary; and G. Elmer Fletcher, chief counsel.

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IN CHARGE OF CAMPAIGN TO PROMOTE THRIFT IN WASHINGTON



HARRY V. HAYNES, President.

GERMAN BID FOR BIG FACTORY IS BLOCKED

**Seventeen Million Offered for
Bridgeport Cartridge Plant.
Banker Forfeits Million.**

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Full details of an effort that was made in the interest of Germany to get control of the Union Metallic Cartridge Company, of Bridgeport, Conn., have been filed with the Government in Washington. The German interests who sought to get control of the munition plant bid as high as \$17,000,000, and the deal was about to be closed at that figure, when a certain banker, whose name is withheld by the Government authorities, blocked the transaction. By so doing this man, it is estimated, lost between \$1,000,000 and \$2,000,000.

The man who acted as the representative of the German interests is a well-known New York broker. According to the report filed with the Government, the price at which the factory was about to be sold was more than twice its real value. The fact that German interests were behind the scheme was not disclosed until near the end of the negotiations, and it was the discovery of this fact that led to the blocking of the sale by a man who had been asked to join in the deal.

It was said that there was reason to believe that had the Germans succeeded in gaining control of the plant it was their plan to reduce wages to such an extent that a strike would ensue, after which they would use that strike as a club to force sympathetic strikes in other plants engaged in filling war orders for the allies. One who is understood to have been much interested in the effort to buy the Bridgeport plant is a prominent German now in this country. He was one of the last persons that Captain von Papen, the recalled German military attaché, called on prior to his departure for Europe last Wednesday.

It was reported yesterday, but not verified from an official source, that the matter of the Union Metallic Cartridge Company may be laid before the Department of Justice for further investigation.

Henry Caesar.

Funeral services for Henry Caesar, who died yesterday, will be held from the family residence at 1323 Thirty-fourth street northwest, Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock.

Mr. Tired Business Man!

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There's a fascination about the bowling game that defies description! To the non-bowler it may seem a mighty simple proposition to propel a ball down a glassy alley and totally annihilate ten pins arranged in pyramidal formation—but just you try it, if you think so!

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Frank Sherman, 1321 H St. N. W.

Casino Bowling Alleys, Inc. (Veirs Bros.), 14th and T Sts. N. W.
Grand Central Alleys and Billiard Parlors, Center Market, 7th St. Wing.

Southeast Bowling Alleys, 743-45 8th St. S. E.

Arcade Bowling Alleys, 14th and Park Road.

All Use Brunswick-Balke-Collender Alley Equipment.



F. B. DEVEREUX, Chairman Thrift Committee.

POPE BENEDICT SENDS MESSAGE TO AMERICA

**Urges Universal Prayers for
Early Ending of European
Slaughter.**

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Christmas was a day of anguish to Pope Benedict, who sent a message to America through the United Press, urging universal prayers for an early ending of the European slaughter. The Pope's exhortation was received by cable last night as follows:

"ROMA, Dec. 25.—To the United Press, New York: 'While the hymn of the angels resounds, 'Gloria be to God in the highest heaven, and peace on earth, good will to men,' the slaughter in Europe, of which there is no example in history, continues.

'All men are brothers because they are sons of God, and more specifically are Christians and Catholics. All, moved by this feeling of spiritual brotherhood, must work and pray for the speedy ending of this terrible war, which has dishonored Europe and plunged all humanity into mourning.

'This is the exhortation that the holy father, his heart filled with anguish, sends forth to the world.

"PIETRO CARDINAL GASPARRI, 'Papal Secretary of State.'

Funerals

Miss Julia Baird.

Funeral services for Miss Julia Baird, sister of Mrs. John M. Hickey, who died in George Washington University Hospital yesterday morning, will be held in the family home at Columbia, Tenn.

John E. Wagner.

Funeral services for John E. Wagner, who died at the family residence, 127 Thirty-first street northwest, Friday, will be held at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon from Masonic Hall, 12th Wisconsin avenue northwest.

John Hervey Nichols.

Funeral services for John Hervey Nichols, who died at Georgetown University Hospital Thursday, will be held from Gawler's Chapel at 8:30 o'clock tomorrow morning. Interment will be in Arlington National Cemetery.

Michael Keehan.

Funeral services for Michael Keehan, who died Friday, will be held from his late residence, 101 Nineteenth street northwest, at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning. Solemn requiem mass will be celebrated in St. Matthew's Church at 9:30 o'clock and interment will be in Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

NATIONAL CITY BANK DISMISSES GERMANS

**Compels Two Clerks to Re-
sign—Knew of Deals With
Russian Government.**

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—It became known last night that on Christmas Eve two German clerks in the foreign exchange department of the National City Bank were forced to resign. The occurrence was said to mark the beginning of a systematic effort on the part of the bank to rid itself of a number of Germans in its employ—not necessarily all of them. The names of the clerks are withheld by the bank, but it has been learned one lives in Brooklyn while the other has a residence in West 109th street.

The clerks were charged with failing to notify the bank and the National Surety Company, which went on their bonds, of a change in their places of residence. One clerk moved twice within a year, and the other once, without notifying either the bank or the surety company. One of the clerks had been employed at the bank for five years, the other for three years. Both are peculiarly fitted for the work in the foreign exchange department, because of the large amount of business transacted with German banking houses and banks in other European countries. More than 100 Germans are employed in this department, it is said.

Federal officials on December 17, accused of supplying information to the German government, the Hamburg-American line's indicted detective, concerning the bank's transactions in relation to the shipments of arms and munitions of war to the allies. The arrest was made on information given the bank not only by Federal authorities, but by the National City's own detective force, which had been taken several weeks before. Other banking institutions in New York and elsewhere have started a similar investigation into the movements of their German employees.

When the two clerks were dismissed had finished their work for the day they were called into the office of the chief clerk of their department and told that their resignations were required, and the reasons were given. The two men refused at first to sign a resignation blank which was placed before them. He asked for time to consider, adding that his books were not up to date, and that he wanted to complete his work.

Whether the men who resigned had been supplying information to German secret agents concerning the bank's interest in certain Russian deals for the supplying of arms to the czar's army is not known. No could it be learned that the clerks had any knowledge of Scheidt's past activities. The two clerks

however, were engaged on books that contained entries of business transactions concerning the Russian government. More dismissals are expected immediately at the bank, where many of the employees are hostile to the brusque attitude of their German fellows-workers and supply information to the heads of the respective departments.

Three Motor Accidents, None Hurt, Last Night

The automobile of J. L. Oswald, of the Army and Navy Club, had a rear wheel mushroomed last night when it skidded into the curb on Sixteenth street, near K northwest. No one was hurt.

The police are looking for a machine that collided with the safety railing at Seventh street and Pennsylvania avenue northwest and damaged it last night. Edward H. Merritt, colored, driver of a motor truck of the Jacobson Express Company, collided with one of the pillars of the railroad viaduct over Florida avenue at Seventh street northeast last night. He was taken to Casualty Hospital, but examination showed no serious injury. The truck was slightly damaged.

Motor Race Pictures to Be Shown at Press Club

Motion pictures, portraying an exciting race between an automobile from Tacoma, Wash., to Mt. Rainier in National Park, will be exhibited at the National Press Club at 4:15 o'clock tomorrow evening by Congressman Albert Johnson, of Washington. The pictures have been brought to this city by T. H. Cullen, secretary of the Tacoma Chamber of Commerce.

Boy Expands Fast.

MONTPELIER, Ga., Dec. 25.—A short time ago Harry Connelly, fourteen years of age, was a slender boy of average build, but now he is a giant. He is now 6 feet 7 inches in height and weighs 200 pounds. During the past three months his parents have been forced to buy Harry a new suit of clothes every week. A school was built for him. Doctors are trying to find a way to check Harry's phenomenal growth without impairing his health.

POSSUM MULE SUSIE BEATS DOGS IN HUNT

**Charged, However, She 'Fudged'
and Gen. Bill Patterson
Agrees to Give Another Test.**

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 26.—Gen. Bill Patterson's famous possum mule, Susie, won the opening day's program at the Koon Klub's annual con hunt today, and incidentally brought down on her owner's head the recrimination of other members whose entries were mere dogs. Without making apologetic charges, the disgruntled dog fanciers intimated that Susie fudged and General Bill has unanimously agreed to permit Susie to defend her laurels again later in the hunt, which will last a week. Sheriff Bill Henderson's hound, Pottlicker, who won second money today, is an even choice with Susie in the runoff.

Stamp Sales Net Revenue Of \$358,000,000 for U. S.

Postage stamps sold by Uncle Sam during the past fiscal year netted him a revenue of \$358,000,000, according to the report of Charles O. Kram, auditor for the Postoffice Department. Of this amount \$200,000,000 was paid out in salaries. The report further shows that the postal service has doubled in twelve years, the audited transactions reaching a total of \$200,000,000 for the last fiscal year.

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Be early at NEY'S on Monday morning. If you miss this Big Suit Bargain you are to blame.

SALE OF FURS ON MONDAY

\$25 Pointed Fox Set, melon muffs, double animal scarf	\$14.75	\$25 Genuine Hudson Seal Muff, ball shape, silk lined	\$14.75
\$25 Red Fox Sets, barrel muffs, double animal scarf.	\$14.75	\$15 Natural Lynx Sets, pillow muffs, shawl collar.	\$10.00

\$75 Mink Sets, different styles, scarfs, pillow muffs.	\$50.00	\$75 Battleship Gray Fox Sets, ball muffs with animal head and tails, large double animal scarf	\$37.50
\$75 Natural Skunk Sets, six-skin melon muffs, and fanny	\$37.50	\$5 Black Comet Muffs	\$3.98

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